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SUBJ: LOCAL LABOR FEDERATION REQUESTS INTRODUCTION TO U.S.

LABOR MOVEMENT

- 1. CONGEN HAS BEEN CONTACTED BY LEADING OFFICIALS OF RECENTLY-FORMED (MARCH 1977) NATIONAL LABOR UNION FEDERATION (FEDERATION NATIONALE DES SYDICATS DU TERRITOIRE) WHO WISH TO ESTABLISH CONTACTS WITH INTERNATIONAL OFFICES OF U.S. LABOR UNION ORGANIZATIONS. PRESIDENT IDRISS OMAR GUELLEH IS MEMBER LPAI CENTRAL COMMITTEE AND MEMBER OF NEWLY-FORMED CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES.
- 2. REPRESENTATIVES CLAIM THAT ORGANIZATION HAS ATTRACTED UNIONS WITH TOTAL MEMBERSHIP OF 3,500 MEMBERS (TOTAL SALARIED EMPLOYEES IN FTAI ARE ABOUT 16,000). FEDERATION LEADERSHIP IS COMPOSED OF REPRESENTATIVES AFAR, ISSA AND ARAB COMMUNITIES. GROUP STRONGLY OPPOSED TO CONFEDERATION GENERALE DES TRAVAILLEURS DU TERRITOIRE WHICH IS CLOSELY AFFILIATED WITH FRENCH CGT.
- 3. WHILE I DO NOT WANT US INVOLVED IN ANY INTERNAL LABOR POLITICS IN FTAI, IT IS CERTAIN THAT AN EARLY VISIT FROM AN OFFICIAL OF U.S. INTERNATIONAL LABOR MOVEMENT TO DISCUSS TIES COULD PROVE VERY USEFUL.CLARKE UNCLASSIFIED

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